

## SASAKAWA HEALTH FOUNDATION

## **Monthly Report**

## To Executive Director of Sasakawa Health Foundation

Title of the Report	Monthly Progress Report
Name	G. Venu Gopal
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## 1. Report on activities of APAL State-Level Bodies and APAL Leaders

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## **APAL successfully conducted an Interaction Meeting**

On the date of 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2021, APAL successfully conducted an Interaction Meeting with the state committee Gujarat in Gandhi Leprosy Sangh, Amaravadi; Ahmadabad, the meeting was presided by Mr. Venu Gopal Vice President of Apal

In this meeting the discussion went on well on new rules of the FCRA, Future programs, Formation of the youth, RPWD Act and UDID Cards; Mr. Venu Gopal and Mr. Uday Thakar advisor of APAL explained the all details to participants

In this meeting Mr. Venu Gopal, Mr. Uday Thakar, Mr. Narsimhulu President of the state committee, Mr. Kwaja Hussan Secretary, Mr. Vijay Kumar Joint Secretary, Mr. Vishnu, Miss. Mehrunnisha, Miss. Suman and others have participated

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## APAL conducted a meeting of APAL& Lepra India

On the date of 6<sup>th</sup> August 2021, APAL conducted a meeting of APAL& Lepra India had discussions to draft an agreement to work in collaboration with APAL state committees of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana

During these discussions, the leaders of the state committees raised requests for education support, House repairs, Toilets, Borewells at least one in each leprosy colony, etc.

On this meeting from, the APAL board Mr. Narsappa President of APAL, and Mr. Prakash Board member and in Incharge of Andhra Pradesh &Telangana have participated; from the Lepra India Mrs. Radhika, Mr. Arun, and Mr. Basha have participated; from the state

committees Mr. Sayil President of SLAP AP and Mr. Ramesh President of SLAP TS have participated





## **APAL conducted successfully an Executive Members Meeting**

On the date of 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021, APAL conducted successfully an Executive Members Meeting at Hotel Kinara Grand in Vanasthalipuram, Hyderabad, Telangana.





### Following Members were Present.

- 1. Mr. V Narsappa, President
- 2. Mr Kamalesh Divyadarshi, Member
- 3. Mrs Maya Ranavare, Treasurer
- 4. Mr Prakash Done, Member
- 5. Mrs Nevis Mery, Member (Not Attended)
- 6. Mr.Prabhakar Sahu, Member
- 7. Mr.Jawahar Paswan, Member

## **Special Invitee**

- 1. Mr Venu Gopal, CEO
- 2. Mr. Uday Thakar, Advisor

The meeting was conducted under the Chairmanship of Mr V. Narsappa.

As per the agenda following business was transacted,

## Tribute to Dr. P.K.Gopal and Mr. Nageshwar Rao

Two minutes of silence was observed in the memory of Dr. P.K.Gopal, President, IDEA India and Mr. Nageshawr Rao, State Leader, Andhra Pradesh.

# Agenda 1. To approve the minutes of the last executive committee meeting held on 30 May 2021.

Mr V. Narsappa read out the minutes. As there were no modifications, the minutes were approved unanimously.

## Agenda 2. To present the financial status and statement of accounts.

The statement of accounts was presented before the committee. It was discussed in detail. At the end of the extended period i.e. 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021, the funds amount to **Rs.11.00.000/-?** were available in the bank. Mr V. Narsappa explained that due to the Covid-19 pandemic and lock down some of the activities cannot be organised during the extended period. This was informed to SHF, Japan. During the discussion, it was suggested that a financial statement after every 3 months should be prepared & submitted to Executive Committee Members and get approved.

### Agenda 3. To update about FCRA Account

Mr V. Narsappa informed that, as per amended rules of FCRA, the designated bank account was opened in the State Bank of India, New Delhi. The cheque book is also received from the said account. The budget instalment for the year 2021-2022 from SHF will be received in that account. Once funds are received the bank account will start operating,

#### **Agenda 4. Appointment of Chief Executive Officer**

Mr V. Narsappa informed that SHF is insisting on appointing a CEO for APAL. This issue was discussed over two years along with E.C. members of APAL, SHF officials and well-wishers. It was suggested that it will be better to appoint a CEO among the members of APAL. The subject was discussed in detail and all the members suggested that Mr Venu Gopal should be appointed as the 1st CEO of APAL. Mr Venu Gopal agreed to accept the responsibility.

#### **RESOLUTION:**

It was resolved that Mr G. Venu Gopal will be appointed as the CEO of APAL from 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021 for the initial period of 3 years. It was further resolved that all the necessary steps should be taken to introduce this new system in the working of APAL. Mr Narsappa will inform all the concerned donors, Government officers and other agencies regarding the appointment of the new CEO.

Proposed By: Mr V. Narsappa

Seconded By: Mrs Maya Ranavare

## Agenda 5. Endorsement of the responsibilities and rights to Board Members

Mr Venu Gopal, the CEO, APAL, suggested endorsing the responsibilities to Board Members for the smooth working of the APAL and proper monitoring of field activities. Following Board Members agreed to take up the responsibility of different states.

Mr Kamlesh - Bihar & Uttar Pradesh

Mr Jawahar Paswan - Jharkhand & West Bengal

Mrs Maya Ranavare - Maharashtra & Gujarat

He further suggested that Mr V. Narsappa and Mr Uday Thakar will overall supervise the working of APAL. He also suggested that senior state leader Mr Sarang Gaydhane will also be given the responsibility of 2 states namely Madhya Pradesh and Odisha. The suggestion was approved unanimously & Mr Venu Gopal was asked to work out the details in consultation with members who have endorsed the responsibilities.

#### Agenda 6. Future activities and execution of the new system.

Mr Venu Gopal informed that the SHF has approved the budget for the year 2020-2021. It is expected that APAL will receive funds from SHF by end of August 2021, 8 months are available with us to organise approved budgeted programmes. Mr V. Narsappa suggested that we should be emphasised on organising budgeted activities approved by SHF. The following programme was discussed.

- 1. POD programme in 5 states, 5 colonies.
- 2. Covid-19 programme in 5staes, 5 colonies
- 3. UDID Cards in all states,
- 4. Formation of Youth Groups, their training& assignment of work responsibility for 25 youths.
- 5. Parvarish Yojana in Bihar.
- 6. Issue-Based projects in selected states.

Committee members then requested Mr Venu Gopal to work out the details & it is expected that the programme should be initiated in the field, by end of September 2021.

Further, it was suggested to Mr Venu Gopal that, he should prepare the action plan to set up the new system in APAL.

Mr Narsappa, President, APAL and all board members congratulated Mr Venu Gopal for his appointment as the CEO of APAL.

### Agenda 7. Any other business with the permission of Chair.

As there was no other business to be transacted the meeting was concluded by proposing the vote of thanks to the chair.

## In collaboration with Gospel for Tribal Social Service Society-Khammam, APAL's state committee Telangana(SLAP-TS) distributed foodgrains, Masks, and Medicine

On the date of 12<sup>th</sup> August 2021, In collaboration with Gospel for Tribal Social Service Society-Khammam, APAL's state committee Telangana(SLAP-TS) distributed foodgrains, Masks, and Medicine to 85 families of people affected by leprosy and their families in the Shanthi Nagar Leprosy Colony at Hyderabad, Telangana, on the presence of Mr.Vidyavathi Vijedhar Reddy Councilor of Peddambarpet

O)n behalf of people affected by leprosy APAL conveys deep gratitude to Gospel for Tribal Social Service Society and Mr. Vidyavathi Vijedhar Reddy for their valuable services to the leprosy community and their humanity with liability

Special thanks to Mr. Ramesh President of the state committee (SLAP-TS) for his active contribution in the distributions and in the leprosy field





In collaboration with the Government of Bihar and authorities, APAL's state committee Bihar (SAMUTHAN) distributed MCR footwear, Self-care kits, and disability certificates On the date of 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, In collaboration with the Government of Bihar and authorities, APAL's state committee Bihar (SAMUTHAN) distributed MCR footwear, Self-care kits, and disability certificates to people affected by leprosy from the hands of the head of the health department f the district and civil surgeon in the DLO office, Mothari, Bihar, on the occasion of Independence day

On behalf of people affected by leprosy APAL conveying deep gratitude to the health department of Bihar and authorities for their valuable support and the SAMUTHAN team





### APAL conducted a trail version online meeting with the all state leaders

On the date of 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, APAL conducted a trail version online meeting with the all state leaders and discussed about the achievements for past 2 years of all state committees and future plan of their activities in the leprosy fields

On this meeting Mr. Venu Gopal CEO of APAL introduced schedule of the interaction meetings with Sasakawa Health Foundation, Japan and taught them how to express their views and activities while meeting and what should not do in a online meetings

- Don't replace professionalism with comfort. ...
- Don't set the scene for distractions....
- Don't forget to eat beforehand....
- Don't Zoom and drive. ...
- Don't put a private message in a Zoom chat. ...
- Don't forget to mute yourself when not speaking....
- Don't be late.

#### **Schedule**

August, 18th, 21 : Meeting with the youth volunteers
12-00 Noon IST of Covid 19 Awareness Program.

Heeting with State Leaders- Bihar,
Maharashtra, Delhi, Gujarat, U P

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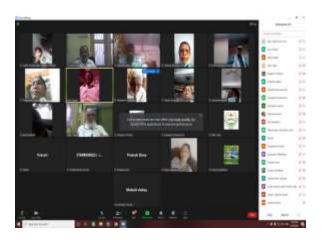
Heeting with State Leaders- Madhya

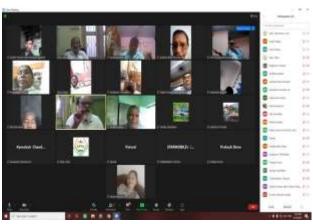
Chattisgarh, Odisha,

Jharkhand, Haryana

August, 26th, 21 : Andhra Pradesh, Telangana

11-00 Am IST Tamil Nadu





## APAL conducted successfully the Interaction Meeting SHF with the youth volunteers of the COVID-19 Awareness Program

On the date of 18<sup>th</sup> August 2021, APAL conducted successfully the Interaction Meeting SHF with the youth volunteers of the COVID-19 Awareness Program

On this meeting on behalf of APAL Mr. Venu Gopal CEO of APAL conveyed gratitude to SHF and the team of SHF Mr. Nanri, Mrs. Kiyomi, and Ms. Makiko for their support of the awareness program on COVID-19 and explained the usage of the program to people affected by leprosy and their families who reside in the leprosy colonies

After their introductions, the volunteers explained their way of work with responsibility, difficulties, and challenges in the fields and conveyed their gratitude to APAL and SHF for the opportunity to serve people affected by leprosy and their families

SHF team appreciated APAL and the youth volunteers of COVID-19 for their tireless efforts by providing health care services to people affected by leprosy and made the awareness program successful





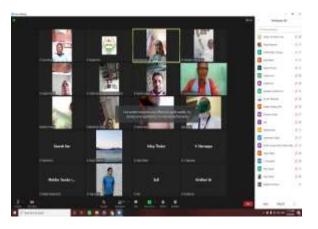
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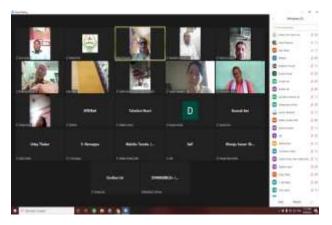
On the date of 20<sup>th</sup> August 2021, APAL conducted successfully the interaction online meeting SHF with the APAL's state leaders of Bihar, Maharashtra, Delhi, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh

After the introductions, the state leaders and the state committee members expressed their achieved activities for the past 2 years and further plan of activities in the leprosy fields

- 1. Support for Corona tests and vaccination
- 2. Dressing materials distributed to 34 people affected by leprosy
- 3. Food grains and masks and sanitizers distributed
- 4. Conducted RPWD Act training

SHF team appreciated APAL and all the state leaders for their tireless efforts by providing services and support to people affected by leprosy to live with dignity in the mainstream society





## The request of the APAL's state committee (SAMUTHAN) the health department of Bihar conducted the COVID-19 vaccination camp

On the date of 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021, The request of the APAL's state committee (SAMUTHAN) the health department of Bihar conducted the COVID-19 vaccination camp in Ghadhi Leprosy Colony at Motipur, Bihar, and 40 people affected by leprosy are vaccinated

On behalf of people affected by leprosy, APAL convey deep gratitude to the Government of Bihar and the state committee for their valuable services to the people in the leprosy colonies





# In collaboration with Sasakawa Inda Leprosy Foundation, APAL state committee Madhya Pradesh distributed food grains

On the date of 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021, In collaboration with Sasakawa Inda Leprosy Foundation, APAL state committee Madhya Pradesh distributed food grains to 177 families of people affected by leprosy and their families in

Nirmal Dham, Khandwa, Maji Colony, Awalia, Khandwa, Saraswati Leprosy Colony, Mandsaur, Gopal Mandir, Khachrod, Ujjain and Kodhighar Mugispur, Sehore.

On this distribution, Mr. Zaid Choudhary from Sasakawa India Leprosy Foundation, Sachin Patidar, and Gopal Shinde from Sahyog kusht Nivaran Sangh, Indore have contributed

On behalf of people affected by leprosy, APAL convey gratitude to Sasakawa India Leprosy Foundation for their valuable services and the state committee Madhya Pradesh

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APAL conducted successfully the interaction online meeting SHF with the APAL's state leaders of Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Jharkhand, Haryana

On the date of  $24^{\rm th}$  August 2021, APAL conducted successfully the interaction online meeting SHF with the APAL's state leaders of Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh, Odisha, Jharkhand, Haryana

After the introductions, the state leaders and the state committee members expressed their achieved activities for the past 2 years and further plan of activities in the leprosy fields

- 1. Support for Corona tests and vaccination
- 2. Sanctioned houses and constructing to 400 people affected by leprosy
- 3. Food grains and masks and sanitizers distributed
- 4. One water tank constructed
- 5. MCR footwear distributed to 100 people affected by leprosy

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## In collaboration with the health department of Bihar, APAL's state committee distributed MCR Footwear

On the date of 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021, In collaboration with the health department of Bihar, APAL's state committee distributed MCR Footwear to 42 people affected by leprosy who are struggling with chronicle ulcers on feet in Muzaffarpur Leprosy Colony, Bihar on the presence of DLO(District Leprosy Officer)

On behalf of people affected by leprosy, APAL convey gratitude to the DLO sir and his team for the valuable support and services and special thanks to Mr. Someswar Dubey President of the state committee (SAMUTHAN) for his active contribution in the distribution and in the leprosy fields





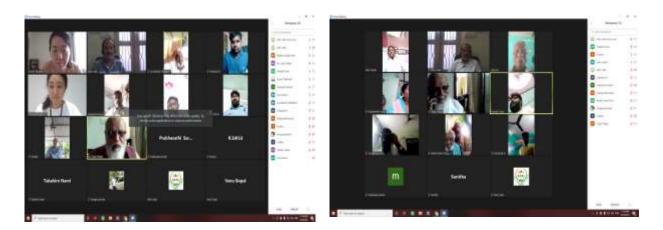
## APAL conducted successfully the interaction online meeting SHF with the APAL's state leaders of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu

On the date of 26<sup>th</sup> August 2021, APAL conducted successfully the interaction online meeting SHF with the APAL's state leaders of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu

After the introductions, the state leaders and the state committee members expressed their achieved activities for the past 2 years and further plan of activities in the leprosy fields

- 1. Sanctioned 186 house pattas
- 2. Sanctioned 29 houses
- 3. Medicine support to 2636 people affected by leprosy and their families
- 4. Dressing materials support 1200 people affected
- 5. 450 MCR footwear distributed
- 6. Sanctioned 2 community halls and under in the process
- 7. Constructed drainages in 13 colonies
- 8. CC roads were constructed in 6 colonies and 2 colonies under in the process
- 9. Foodgrains and masks and sanitizers distributed and Corona tests are done, etc

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# APAL conducted online training meeting for volunteers of the COVID-19 Awareness Program

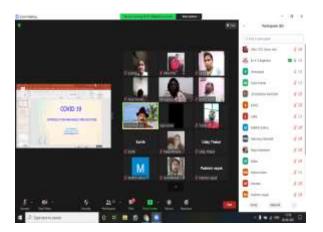
On the date of  $27^{th}$  August 2021, APAL conducted online training meeting for volunteers of the COVID-19 Awareness Program

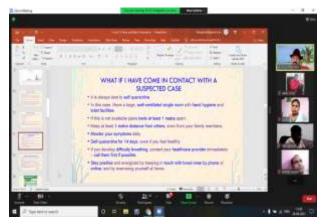
After introductions Mr. Venu Gopal CEO APAL and Mr. Uday Thakar explained the need and useful of the COVID-19 Awareness Program also explained the activities of APAL in the leprosy colonies. Also said that In this terrible COVID-19 crisis time the health promotion information is reaching some persons affected by leprosy but others are difficult to reach due to travel restrictions and illiteracy. Persons affected have specific and ongoing leprosy-related healthcare needs. If persons affected can reach health facilities, they face reductions in services, as facilities transition to exclusively treating COVID-19 patients.

Mr. Venu Gopal urge every volunteer should work with dedication and make sure the program useful and successful



Mr. Baghotia SLO Delhi taught the precautions of the COVID-19 and how to use equipments in the fields





## The training summary:

## **Epidemiology**

- Coronavirus Disease (COVID 19) is an infectious disease caused by SARS Cov 2
- Coronavirus group of the virus is a large family of the virus which causes various illness in Man and Animals and has been in existence for some time
- In humans it is known to cause Common cold, MERS (Middle East Respiratory Syndrome), and SARS (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome.

## **Symptoms**

- The most common symptoms initially thought to be were
- Fever
- Cold and Cough
- Breathlessness
- Bodyache and Headache
- Sore throat
- Fatigue and tiredness
- Asymptomatic

#### **COVID** and risk factors

- Who can get COVID 19?
- Anyone can get COVID 19. Everyone is at risk.
- Most people (about 80%) get well without requiring hospital treatment.
- 1 out of 5 on average who gets COVID -19 becomes seriously ill and develops difficulty in breathing.
- Older people and people with co-morbidities are at greater risk. Diseases like -
- High blood pressure, Diabetes, another lung disease like TB, Cancer, Renal disease, etc
- If you see any suspected symptoms it is better to consult your doctor.

#### Spread of disease

- COVID 19 is a fairly new disease and therefore new research is providing with new findings
- It spreads through the droplet. Droplets are produced when you speak forcefully, cough, sneeze, spit, etc. These droplets are heavy in that it sinks to the surface. The droplets of a COVID 19 patient consists of the virus

- So it is important to stay 1-2 meters away from a person and wear a mask.
- As it sinks to surfaces it stays on them for various periods, and people can become infected if they touched these surfaces and then touch the eyes, nose, and mouth so it is important to keep washing your hands frequently as we come into contact with surfaces.

#### Surface and virus

- COVID 19 virus can be present in the surrounding for a various period depending on the surface and type of surface
- 72 hours on plastic
- 48 hrs on stainless steel
- 24 hrs on cardboard
- 4 hrs on copper
- Till now there is little evidence of the effects of weather and climate on the viability of the virus on the surface.
- The time between exposure to COVID-19 and the moment when symptoms start is commonly around five to six days but can range from 1 14 days.
- What if I have come in contact with a suspected case?
- It is always best to self-quarantine
- In this case, Have a large, well-ventilated single room with hand hygiene and toilet facilities
- If this is not available place beds at least 1 meter apart.
- Keep at least 1-meter distance from others, even from your family members.
- Monitor your symptoms daily
- Self-quarantine for 14 days, even if you feel healthy
- If you develop difficulty breathing, contact your healthcare provider immediately call them first if possible.
- Stay positive and energized by keeping in touch with loved ones by phone or online, and by exercising yourself at home.

#### **Protecting yourself and others**

You can reduce your chances of being infected or spreading COVID-19 by taking some simple precautions:

- Regularly and thoroughly clean your hands with an alcohol-based hand rub or wash them with soap and water.
- Why? Washing your hands with soap and water or using alcohol-based hand rub kills viruses that may be on your hands.
- Maintain at least 1 meter (3 feet) distance between yourself and others.
- Why? When someone coughs, sneezes, or speaks they spray small liquid droplets from their nose or mouth which may contain the virus. If you are too close, you can breathe in the droplets, including the COVID-19 virus if the person has the disease.
- Avoid going to crowded places. Why? Where people come together in crowds, you are more likely to come into close contact with someone that has COVID-19 and it is more difficult to maintain a physical distance of 1 meter (3 feet).
- Encourage the general public to wear a fabric mask if there is widespread community transmission, and especially where physical distancing cannot be maintained. Why? Masks are a key tool in a comprehensive approach to the fight against COVID-19.
- If you have a fever, cough, and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention, but call by telephone in advance if possible and follow the directions of your local health authority.

- Why? National and local authorities will have the most up to date information on the situation in your area. Calling in advance will allow your health care provider to quickly direct you to the right health facility. This will also protect you and help prevent the spread of viruses and other infections.
- Keep up to date on the latest information from trusted sources, such as WHO or your local and national health authorities.
- Why? Local and national authorities are best placed to advise on what people in your area should be doing to protect themselves.

#### Use of sanitizers

- Keep alcohol-based hand sanitizers out of children's reach. Teach them how to apply the sanitizer and monitor its use.
- Apply a coin-sized amount on your hands. There is no need to use a large amount of the product.
- Avoid touching your eyes, mouth, and nose immediately after using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer, as it can irritate.
- Hand sanitizers recommended to protect against COVID-19 are alcohol-based and therefore can be flammable. Do not use it before handling fire or cooking.
- Under no circumstance, drink, or let children swallow an alcohol-based hand sanitizer. It can be poisonous.
- Remember that washing your hands with soap and water is also effective against COVID-19.

## What should I do if I have symptoms

- If you have minor symptoms, such as a slight cough or a mild fever, there is generally no need to seek medical care. Stay at home, self-isolate, and monitor your symptoms. Follow national guidance on self-isolation.
- However, if you live in an area with malaria or dengue fever you mustn't ignore symptoms of fever. Seek medical help. When you attend the health facility wear a mask if possible, keep at least 1-meter distance from other people, and do not touch surfaces with your hands. If it is a child who is sick help the child stick to this advice.
- Seek immediate medical care if you have difficulty breathing or pain/pressure in the chest. If possible, call your health care provider in advance, so he/she can direct you to the right health facility.

## **Gatherings**

- Any decision to hold an event during the COVID-19 pandemic, no matter how large or small, should rely on a risk-based approach.
- WHO has guided how such a risk-based approach can be taken.
- Precautions to consider include actions to prevent transmission between people, and where to hold the venue, and how it can be modified to make a safer environment.
- Canceling a planned event is an option that should always be considered, especially in case of non-essential events or when precautions cannot be implemented or adequately communicated.

## Some tips if you are invited

- Always check local regulations before attending an event.
- Stay at home if you are feeling unwell.
- Always comply with the following 3 basic preventive measures:
  - Maintain at least 1-meter distance from others, and wear a mask if you cannot guarantee this distance.

- Cover a sneeze or cough with a tissue or bent elbow, and immediately dispose of the tissue in a closed-lid bin. Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water, or with a hand sanitizer

### **APAL successfully conducted an Interaction Meeting**

On the date of 29<sup>th</sup> August 2021, APAL successfully conducted an Interaction Meeting with the state committee Bihar in Hotel Harisons at Patna, Bihar; the meeting was presided by Mr. Narsappa President of APAL and Mr. Venu Gopal Vice President of APAL

In this meeting the discussion went on well on new rules of the FCRA, Future programs, Formation of the youth, RPWD Act and UDID Cards; Mr. Venu Gopal explained the all details to participants

In this meeting, Mr. Narsappa, Mr. Venu Gopal, Mr. Uday Thakar, Mr. Kamlesh Chandra Lal Board Member of APAL, Mr. Someswar Dubey President of the state committee, Mr. Ramvarai Sha, Mr. Brij Kishore, youth, and others have participated

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Jeevan Leprosy Colony at Ahmadabad and vaccinated 54 people affected by leprosy and their families

On behalf of people affected by leprosy, APAL convey deep gratitude to the Government of Gujarat for their valuable services and the state committee for their active contributions in the vaccination camp and in the field of the leprosy community





## In collaboration with local donor Mr. Praveen Kumar, APAL's state committee distributed a tricycle

On the date of 31st August 2021, In collaboration with local donor Mr. Praveen Kumar, APAL's state committee distributed a tricycle to Mr. Mithesh Kumar at Jharkhand

On behalf of people affected by leprosy and persons with disabilities, APAL conveys deep gratitude to the great human being Mr. Praveen Kumar and Mr. Jawahar Paswan the board member of APAL



#### APAL's state committee Jharkhand submitted a memorandum to the local MP

On the date of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, APAL's state committee Jharkhand submitted a memorandum to the local MP to solve the CC roads, Drainages, Electricity Concession, etc, problems of Antyodaya Kusht Ashram at Jamshedpur, Jharkhand, and the represent of MP Mr. Sanjeev Kumar and Mr. Sudhansu Ojah visited the colony, observed the situation, and informed to the respected MP; finally, he assured to solve the all problems of the leprosy colony as soon as possible

On behalf of people affected by leprosy, APAL convey deep gratitude to the MP and his represents for their responsibility and special thanks to Mr. Jawahar Paswan Board Member of APAL for his liability





# The request of APAL's state committee Jharkhand, the health department of Jharkhand conducted the COVID-19 vaccination camp

On the date of 31st August 2021, The request of APAL's state committee Jharkhand, the health department of Jharkhand conducted the COVID-19 vaccination camp successfully in the Gandhi Ashram at Jamshedpur and 2nd dose vaccinated 320 people affected by leprosy and their families

On behalf of people affected by leprosy, APAL convey deep gratitude to the Government of Jharkhand for their valuable services and Mr. Zainuddin President of the state committee, and Mr. Jawahar Paswan Board Member of APAL for their active contributions in the vaccination camp and in the field of the leprosy community





## a. Key findings which are important for SHF work

- a. To be Concentrated Advocacy on RPWD Act and Supreme Court should be expanded to some more states.
- b. APAL to organizing more coordinated activities with other disabled sectors like DPI & NCPEDP.
- c. The regular meeting of youth leader & women empowerment programs should be budgeted and organized.
- d. To form women empowerment among colony women

Difficulties/Challenges you faced during the period

**Difficulties:** 

**Challenges:** 

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